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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	MAIL STOP- ISSUE FEE Art Unit: 1646
Toshio ARIYASU et al	Examiner: C. Kaufman
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Honorable Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop ISSUE FEE P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A minor error having been noticed in claim 13, applicants respectfully request approval and entry of the following amendment under Rule 312 of claim 13:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.